

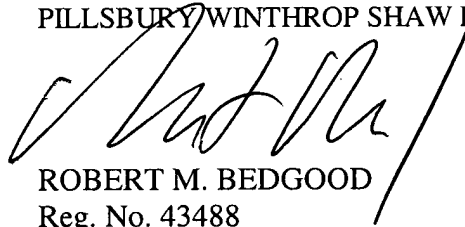
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In response to the Office Action mailed November 25, 2006, in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group II, Claims 2 to 12, for prosecution in the above-identified application. Applicants further elect species A, VEGF.

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